

ELECTRONIC DEVICE USE PROCEDURE

24 June, 2016

In order to better meet the needs of the media and coordinate enforcement efforts with the U.S. Marshal and Court Security Officers, the following procedure for courtroom electronic device use will be implemented for the duration of the trial in case in 2:14cr153-DN-PMW, USA v. Timothy Jay Vafeades, beginning on June 27, 2016. This procedure will be a pilot for monitoring device use in future hearings and trials throughout the court.

PROCEDURE

- Credentialed members of the media must submit a completed Application for Use of Electronic Device in the Courtroom to the Clerk of Court for approval. Forms are available online and in the Clerk's Office.
 - Credentials must be presented at the time of submitting the application.
- Per Judge Nuffer's electronic device use policy, authorized media members may use their devices to:
 - Take Notes;
 - Transmit Email;
 - Live Blog;
 - Live Tweet;
 - Post to Social Media.
- Specific rows will be designated for court staff and authorized media members during the course of the trial. **Device use will be restricted to these areas.** Court staff must have their ID badges clearly visible for a Court Security Officer to view.
- Attorneys participating in the trial or related hearings will be allowed to utilize their electronics while in the courtroom.
- Non-authorized members of the public who utilize any kind of electronic device while in the courtroom will:
 - First Violation – Receive a verbal warning by the Court or Court Security Officer to discontinue use;
 - Second Violation – Removal of the violator from the courtroom by a Court Security Officer or Deputy US Marshal.